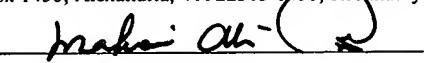


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Dear Examiner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing an Appeal Brief to a Notice of Appeal received by the Office on 08/11/2005. This extension will extend the time the Appeal Brief is due from 10/11/2005 to 1/11/2006.

- A three month extension to 01/11/2006 is requested; the extension fee is \$1020.00.
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 50 1128** referencing docket no. **SPLX.P0127**.

Respectfully submitted,

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